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H. R. 4309

To require a local hiring preference for certain defense contracts and subcontracts performed in or near labor surplus areas and closing military bases.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 1994

Mr. Hamburg (for himself, Mr. Filner, Mr. Miller of California, Mr. Farr of California, and Ms. Woolsey) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. LOCAL HIRING PREFERENCE FOR CONTRACTS
- 4 PERFORMED NEAR LABOR SURPLUS AREAS
- 5 AND CLOSING MILITARY BASES.
- 6 (a) CONTRACTS COVERED.—Each contract entered
- 7 into by the Department of Defense during fiscal year 1995
- 8 for construction services to be performed in whole or in
- 9 part in a labor surplus area (or within 30 miles of such

- 1 an area) and within 30 miles of a military installation ap-
- 2 proved for closure or realignment under a base closure
- 3 law, and each subcontract under such a contract, shall in-
- 4 clude the provision described in subsection (b).
- 5 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Each contract and subcontract
- 6 described in subsection (a) shall include a provision requir-
- 7 ing the contractor or subcontractor to employ, for the pur-
- 8 pose of performing such contract or subcontract, individ-
- 9 uals—
- 10 (1) who are residents of such labor surplus area
- or the county in which such labor surplus area is lo-
- cated; and
- 13 (2) who possess or would be able to acquire
- promptly the necessary skills for any craft or trade
- 15 needed to perform the contract or subcontract.
- 16 (c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—(1) The Secretary of De-
- 17 fense may waive the requirements of this section for a con-
- 18 tract or subcontract covered by this section if the Sec-
- 19 retary determines that requiring the provision described
- 20 in subsection (b) in the contract or subcontract is incon-
- 21 sistent with the national security objectives of the United
- 22 States.
- 23 (2) The Secretary of Defense may allow a contractor
- 24 of a contract or subcontract covered by this section to
- 25 make an exception to the requirement of subsection (b)(1)

- 1 in the case of a particular craft or trade needed to perform
- 2 the contract or subcontract if there is no individual resid-
- 3 ing or available for hire in the labor surplus area or county
- 4 who possesses the skills for that craft or trade.
- 5 (d) Definition.—In this section, the term "base clo-
- 6 sure law" means the following:
- 7 (1) The provisions of title II of the Defense Au-
- 8 thorization Amendments and Base Closure and Re-
- 9 alignment Act (Public Law 100-526; 10 U.S.C.
- 10 2687 note).
- 11 (2) The Defense Base Closure and Realignment
- 12 Act of 1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law
- 13 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note).

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